

[Translation]

Soviet Assistance to Irrigation Projects of Uttar Pradesh

*2043. SHRI RAM SAGAR: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the Soviet aided irrigation projects in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) the details of those irrigation projects which has become uncertain after the recent development in the Soviet Union; and

(c) the details of steps being taken by the Government for the completion of these projects within the Scheduled period?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) No Soviet credit has been extended so far for any irrigation project in Uttar Pradesh.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

[English]

Pollution by Kolar Gold Fields

2044. SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether drinking water and crops around the Kolar Goldfields is being highly polluted due to cyanide mud residue after gold extraction; and

(b) if so, the measures taken by the Government to control the pollution which is posing a major health hazard to the neighbouring areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI BALRAM

SINGH YADAV): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Telex Facility in Kerala

2045. SHRI THAYIL JOHN ANJALOSE: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the places in Kerala which are having telex facility;

(b) whether the Government propose to cover all the important places for providing such facility in Kerala; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Places having telex facility are as below:

1. Alleppey
2. Shertallai
3. Calicut
4. Cannanore
5. Ernakulam
6. Alwaye
7. Kottayam
8. Palghat
9. Quilon
10. Trichur
11. Trivandrum
12. Kesaraged

- 13 Tellicherry
 14 Thiruvalla
 15 Kavaratty
 16 Malappuram
 17 Thodupuzha

(b) and (c) The policy of the Deptt is to provide telex facility at places having demand of 4 or more connections

S.T.D. and Group Dialling Facilities in Alleppey District, Kerala

2046 SHRI THAYIL JOHN ANJALOSE Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state

(a) the details regarding the expansion and modernisation of the telephone exchanges in Alleppey district in Kerala, and

(b) the list of the new centres which are going to be linked with STD and group dialling facilities?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P V RANGAYYA NAIDU) (a) Out of total 38 telephone exchanges in Alleppey district of Kerala, 10 are already electronic exchanges 6 telephone exchanges during 1992-93 are planned for conversion into electronic exchanges of suitable higher capacity. In addition, 10 telephone exchanges are also planned for expansion during 1991-92

All existing electro-mechanical exchanges are proposed to be converted into

electronic exchanges of suitable higher capacity progressively subject to availability of resources

(b) Two stations viz S.L. Puram and Pulineunnu are proposed to be provided with STD facilities during 1991-92. Group dialling facility is already available in all the exchanges of Alleppey District

[Translation]

Rolling Mills in Assam

2047 SHRI DAU DAYAL JOSHI Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred Question NO 3927 given on August 22, 1991 and state

(a) whether the requisite information has since been collected,

(b) if so, the names of the rolling mills lying closed in Assam and since been,

(c) the reasons for their closures,

(d) the details of the amount involved in each mill and the number of persons rendered jobless due to closure thereof and

(e) time by which these mills are likely to start functioning?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV) (a) Yes, Sir The assurance given to the Unstarred Question NO 3927 dated 22.8.1991 has since been fulfilling on 28.2.1992.

(b) to (e) There are three rolling mills lying closed in Assam as per details given in the statement attached.